# Holy Rosary † St. Mary's C.C.D.

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Hello to my C.C.D. Families!
Our first week of C.C.D. was a great success! I cannot tell you enough how much I enjoy all the boys and girls!
I sure did miss them this summer! They are each so special in their own way. Having conversations with them and especially listening to them as they say their prayers is my absolute favorite part of my job!
I thank everyone who has volunteered to help with the upcoming activities involving C.C.D. and our parish this upcoming season and look forward to working together with all of you!
God bless you today and always!

**2<sup>nd</sup> Year Confirmation Retreat** will take place on October 5-6<sup>th</sup> at Three Rivers! Please pray for the candidates attending this retreat, the chaperones and those leading the retreat. May it be a weekend filled with the works of the Holy Spirit!

### **Monthly Prayer Focus...**

Annie

For the children who are preparing for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion or Confirmation, there are prayers that must be learned before receiving the sacrament. This can be a bit overwhelming when thinking of having to learn them all. We are going to have a monthly focus on certain prayers so that it simplifies the process. (What's the best way to eat an elephant? One bite at a time!) The prayer(s) for the month will be noted on each weekly CCD News as well as the monthly CCD calendar. Prayer sheets are located on the CCD tab of the church website. Please encourage your children to take the time to read over their prayers daily. Please join them! This will make for special time during the day where you pray together as a family... a beautiful habit to create!!!



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

October 5th-6th

2<sup>nd</sup> Year Confirmation Retreat

October 10th

Safe Environment Information Meeting for parents (optional)

October 15th-20th

Safe Environment Classroom Presentations

October 15th at 6pm

Christmas Caroling Planning Meeting • Classroom #4

October 21st -28th

Our Lady of the Rosary Festa **NO CLASSES THIS WEEK!** 

October 26th-27th

Our Lady of the Rosary Festa

# **SEPTEMBER**



Prayer Focus...

First Communion: 1st Year
Sign of the Cross

First Communion: 2<sup>nd</sup> Year
Sign of the Cross

Confirmation: 1st Year
Sign of the Cross
Our Father

Confirmation: 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Mysteries of the Rosary

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## PRAYER Champions Wall

Congratulations to the first student who completed all his prayers for the year on the first day of the CCD season! He is the first two to get his picture up on our new Prayer Champions Wall! Congratulations to **Jesus Hernandez**!! Great job!!!

#### Children's Liturgy begins this weekend!

We will begin a new season of Children's Liturgy this coming Sunday the 22<sup>nd</sup>. This ministry is for children ages 3-6 years old (although everyone is welcome!). Do you have a Confirmation Candidate who needs service hours? This is a fun and easy way to get some! Are you willing and able to lead one weekend... or two? It's quite simple and you will be given the materials needed. If you're interested, but not sure how it all works, give Annie a call OR shadow a leader one weekend to see how fun and easy it is!



Celebrating birthdays this week...

- Ruby Dimas
- Colt Cunha
- Jaxon Betschart
- Londyn Betschart
- Gracie Ellington
- Bryan Berbereia

# Our Lady of the Rosary Festa is coming soon!



Our annual festa is coming the weekend of October 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>. If you have a little one who is interested in participating in the Bode de Leite and need a costume, we have lots of girl costumes. Boys are invited to wear black pants and white shirts (and a vest!). Please, let Annie know that you plan to participate. **Costumes will be available for pickup the week of October 14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>.** Please make sure to contact Annie during this time as the parish staff (all 3 of us!) will be quite busy during the festa

week!!

We will also have lots of service/volunteer opportunities for anyone who wants to help with the BAZAAR, RESTAURANT, BODE DE LEITE, etc. Many hands make for lighter work! It is a great opportunity to be a part of our parish's biggest event of the year!

### **Christmas Caroling Planning Meeting**

Last year we had such a fun night of community Christmas Caroling with the kiddos. We would like to do it again this year with the help of parents like you! We have a planning meeting scheduled for **Tuesday, October 15**<sup>th</sup> **at 6pm in Classroom #4**. Depending on the number of volunteers we get, we may also have a group visit some local rest homes and spread some Christmas cheer and lots of God's love to those who feel especially

SERVICE HOURS opportunities!

- Children's Liturgy Room Helper
- · Cleaning the Classrooms
- Our Lady of the Rosary Festa
  - Handing out Festa flyers
  - Festa Bazaar
  - Festa Restaurant
- YLI Linguica Dinner
- Filhos Kitchen Helpers
- Christmas Caroling
- Christmas Vigil Mass Helpers

Sign-ups will be updated & available on the CCD tab of the Holy Rosary throughout the CCD season. Check the website weekly!

isolated during the holidays. Please plan on attending this meeting. Christmas will be here before we know it and I sure would love to create a fun experience for kids AND adults. I'll need your help to make this happen!!

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